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Prior Foreign Application(s)			Priority Claimed	
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**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S)**  
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60/326,358	10.01.2001

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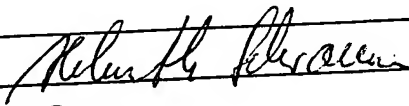
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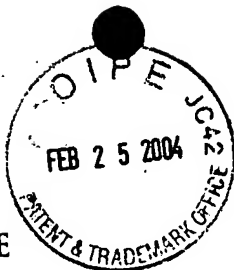
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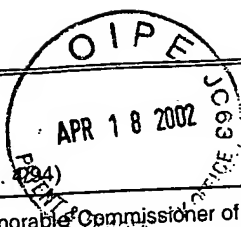
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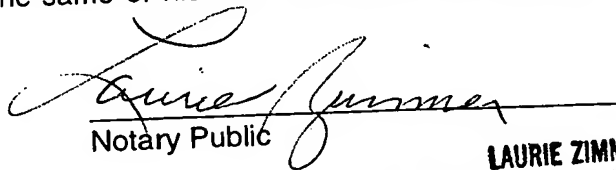
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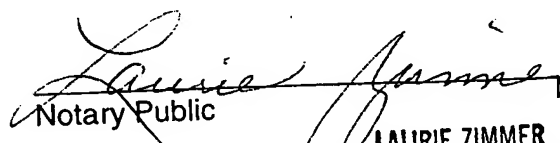
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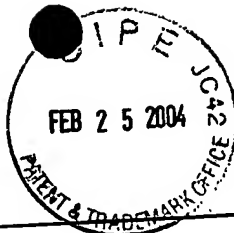
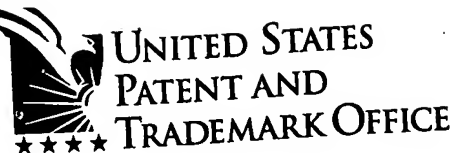
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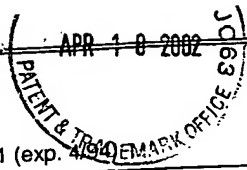
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Hereby sell, assign, and transfer to Siemens Aktiengesellschaft, a Corporation, organized and existing under the German law, having its principal place of business at Wittelsbacherplatz 2, 80333 Munich, Germany ,

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